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Costa Mesa City Council

Dear fellow Costa Mesa'ns;

I want to express my views in regards to proposed parking regulations on Iowa Street.

I live across the street from the athletic fields of the Tewinkle school and am impacted directly by the parking problems that these "resident only" permits seek to address. Occasionally I have to park down the road a piece and then walk a block or two to get home. I consider this to be a minor inconvenience, not a problem.

I say this to all my neighbors; when the parking becomes a problem, then perhaps we can use our garage as one. Very few of my neighbors, myself included, use the garage for their autos, using it more as a warehouse or spare room.

I believe that the parking on the street belongs to all of the people, not just a select few NIMBYS. I am opposed to permit parking. I understand there is a chance that use of fields would be expanded in which case off street parking should be created. There is a lot of vacant land behind the school and relocating 2 baseball fields to that area and building a parking lot seems to be the right plan, although the NIMBYS may not like that. A better move would be to relocate the track to that area and move the baseball diamonds to where the track now sits. There would be less night-time activity on the track, so less opposition from the impacted residents.

Thank you for your time and wisdom in serving the Costa Mesa community.

Sincerely yours;

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